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Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2008 which sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response. Inasmuch as the initial due date for response was set for January 29, 2009, Applicants file this paper with this response a Request for Three-Month Extension of Time and required fee. If any additional fees are necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, the Office is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 19-0089.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.